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Inhibition of Vascular
Endothelial Growth Factor and
Vascular Endothelial Growth
Factor Receptor Gene
Expression Using Short
Interfering Nucleic Acid (siNA)**

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Sir:

1. I, James McSwiggen, am a named inventor of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/665,951 and was formerly a Senior Research Fellow for Sirna Therapeutics, Inc., ("Sirna") located at 2950 Wilderness Place, Boulder Colorado, 80301, the sole Assignee of USSN 10/665,951. I earned a B.S. with honors in Molecular Biology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, in 1979 and a Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Biology from the University of Oregon, Eugene, in 1985. I have performed research in the field of siRNA and other nucleic acid technologies for over 25 years. A copy of my Curriculum Vitae is attached.

2. I am a named inventor on USSN 10/665,951, entitled "RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor and Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor Receptor Gene Expression Using Short Interfering Nucleic Acid (siNA)".

3. I was employed as a research scientist at Sirna Therapeutics Inc. (formerly Ribozyme Pharmaceuticals Inc.) for 13 years. From 2000–2005, my work at Sirna involved, among other things, the analysis of gene sequences as possible siRNA targets, and the design of siRNA drugs

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